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MEMORANDUM

TO: Executive Directors
Area Agencies on Aging

FROM: Tim M. Catherman
Deputy Commissioner, Support Services

DATE: May 18, 2004

SUBJECT: Aging in the News

The following is a summary of some searches that occurred this week.
Some of these links are time sensitive and can change daily.

Virginia AAAs In the News

UNIT formed to investigate elder abuse

Coalfield Progress - Norton, VA, USA

... Virginia has a mandatory reporting law requiring doctors, nurses, law ... elderly, such as personal care agencies and Appalachian Agency for Senior Citizens. ...

<http://www.zwire.com/site/news.cfm?BRD=1283&dept_id=158551&newsid=11633383&PAG=461&rfi=9>

VDA In the News

[GrandDriver plan steers Virginia's elderly to safety](#)

Washington Times, DC - May 11, 2004

... account for 18 percent, or 1.5 million, of the Virginia population, up ... The state's GrandDriver program includes information on dementia and Alzheimer's disease ...

AoA News From Around the Nation

NEW Education Campaign Aimed at Seniors Who Abuse Drugs SeniorJournal.com - San Antonio, TX, USA The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), and the Administration on Aging (AoA), agencies ...

<<http://www.seniorjournal.com/NEWS/Features/4-05-12drugs.htm>>

PCMA Applauds Education Initiative to Raise Awareness Among ...

U.S. Newswire (press release) - Washington, DC, USA

... the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), and the Administration on Aging (AoA), agencies ...

<<http://releases.usnewswire.com/GetRelease.asp?id=168-05112004>>

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FROM The Seniors : Older Americans Month : Aging well - living ...
Freeport Journal Standard - Freeport,IL,USA

... The 2004 theme is "Aging Well - Living Well." The Administration on Aging states the theme was selected "to celebrate and recognize older Americans who are ...

<http://www.journalstandard.com/articles/2004/05/13/daily_features/pulse/features06.txt>

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Executive Directors
Area Agencies on Aging

AND: Nutrition Directors

FROM: Carol Cooper Driskill, Program Coordinator

DATE: May 18, 2004

**SUBJECT: The Virginia Distribution Center:
Best Practice (LCAAA) & Information Meeting/Conference Call**

During our recent AAA Nutrition Directors Meeting and Training, I asked Susan Sciotto, Nutrition Coordinator, from Lake Country Area Agency on Aging to share information that she provided during the monitoring process. She is ordering food products, paper goods, and cleaning supplies from The Virginia Distribution Center and has saved a *significant* amount of money.

The Virginia Distribution Center (VDC) is a source for quality products, economy and convenience. Located in Sandston, it falls under the Virginia Department of General Services Division of Purchase and Supply. Area agencies on aging are eligible to purchase from VDC if the state agency provides a letter, which VDA will do. While utilization of VDC can save a lot of money, it may not work for all AAAs because of buying by the case, storage space issues, purchase pattern, etc.

Virginia Department for the Aging is working with VDC to sponsor an informational meeting at their Sandston facility for all interested AAAs. A teleconference call will be included for AAAs unable to travel to Richmond. The meeting will probably be scheduled for Fall 2004. *Please contact me at Carol.Driskill@vda.virginia.gov if you are interested.*

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I encourage you to check the VDC website at www.dgs.state.va.us/dps/vdc. To receive more information about their products and services, please call the VDC main switchboard at (804) 328-3232. I hope you find this information helpful.